



## Maria Gonzalez

March 4, 1946 - August 16, 2024

Maria DeJesus Diaz Gonzalez, beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away peacefully in the early hours of August 16, 2024. She was born in Ocampo, Mexico on March 4, 1946, to Jesus and Alejandra Diaz. She is preceded in death by her parents and brother, Juan Diaz.

Maria grew up in Mexico where she met the love of her life, Juan Gonzalez. Wed on September 19, 1966, they began their lives together building their family and embarking on a journey that led them to Rockwall, Texas in November of 1966.

Many fond memories came from Rockwall In the early 1970s, Maria and Juan found themselves in their forever home in Terrell, Texas.

Maria was a matriarch, the center of the household, and the home for love. She loved her family and feeding them was her passion. If anyone came into her house feeling happy, sad, angry, or just hungry, Maria would feed them both physically and spiritually. She had a fondness for cooking and her recipes were enjoyed by many. Anyone who ate her cooking could taste the love coming from each delightful dish.

The nurturing personality Maria had was not limited to just her family. She was a caring, nurturing, loving mother to all. She was a teacher and mentor to anyone who needed it. She remembered every detail and knew exactly how to make someone feel valued and loved. Her garden and flowers received the same care. Her plants were beautiful and appreciated by many. She enjoyed

sitting on the porch just gazing at her bright flowers and evolving them from small seeds to giant beauties. If she was not on the porch admiring all the greenery, she could be found watching her novelas with her kids. Every heart she touched beamed with warmth simply by her smile. Her warm, welcoming hugs and kisses were freely shared and remembered.

Left to treasure and carry on her stories are her loving husband, Juan M. Gonzalez Sr. ; children: Felipe Gonzalez; Juan M. Gonzalez Jr. , and wife Blanca; Ramiro Gonzalez and wife, Veronica; Romy Lopez; Enrique Gonzalez and wife, Brenda; Dino Gonzalez and wife Patricia; Daniel Gonzalez and wife, Claudia; and Veronica Rodriguez and husband, Jose. Also left to remember her are her sisters: Lupe Torres, Martina Prado, Leonor Prado, Ignacia Gutierrez, Carmela Diaz; brothers: Jose Diaz, Mariano Diaz; 20 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren along with many nieces, nephews, extended family and beloved friends. There are not enough words to describe how special she truly was. Her absence will be felt by many.

María de Jesús Díaz González, amada esposa, madre, hermana, abuela y bisabuela, falleció pacíficamente en las tempranas horas Viernes del 16 de Agosto de 2024. Ella nació en Ocampo, México, el 4 de Marzo de 1946, hija de Jesús y Alejandra Díaz. Ella fue precedida en la muerte por sus padres y su hermano mayor, Juan Díaz.

María creció en México, donde conoció al amor de su vida, Juan M. González. El 19 de Septiembre de 1966, comenzaron sus vidas juntos construyendo su familia y embarcándose en un viaje que los llevó a Rockwall, Texas, en noviembre de 1966.

Muchos lindos y buenos recuerdos vinieron de Rockwall. A principios de la década de 1970, María y Juan se encontraron en su hogar para siempre en

Terrell, Texas.

María era una matriarca, el centro de la casa y el hogar del amor. Ella amaba a su familia y alimentarlos era su pasión. Si alguien entraba en su casa sintiéndose feliz, triste, enojado o simplemente con hambre, María los alimentaría tanto físicamente como espiritualmente. Le gustaba cocinar y muchos disfrutaron de sus recetas. Cualquiera que comiera su comida podía saborear el amor que viene de cada platillo delicioso.

La personalidad cariñosa que tenía María no se limitaba solo a su familia. Ella era una madre cariñosa, Enriquecedora y amorosa para todos. Ella era maestra y mentora de cualquiera que lo necesitara. Ella siempre recordó cada detalle y sabía exactamente cómo hacer que alguien se sintiera valorado y amado. Su jardín y sus flores recibieron el mismo amor y atención. Sus plantas eran hermosas y apreciadas por muchos. Ella disfrutó sentada en el porche mirando sus flores brillantes evolucionando de pequeñas semillas a bellezas gigantes. Si no estuviera en el porche admirando toda las flores, se le podría encontrar viendo sus novelas con sus hijos o amistades. Cada corazón que tocó irradiaba de calidez simplemente por su sonrisa. Sus cálidos y acogedores abrazos y besos fueron compartidos y recordados libremente.

Quedan para atesorar su memoria y continuar sus historias son su esposo, Juan M. González; sus hijos: Felipe González; Juan M. González Jr. y su esposa Blanca; Ramiro González y su esposa, Verónica; Romy López; Enrique González y su esposa, Brenda; Dino González y su esposa Patricia; Daniel González y su esposa, Claudia; y Verónica Rodríguez y su esposo, José. También quedan para recordarla a sus hermanas: Lupe Torres, Martina Prado, Leonor Prado, Ignacia Gutiérrez, Carmela Díaz; hermanos: José Díaz, Mariano Díaz; 20 nietos; 4 bisnietos junto con muchas sobrinas, sobrinos,

familia extendida y queridos amigos. No hay suficientes palabras para describir lo especial que ella era realmente. Su ausencia será sentida por muchos.

Services for Maria will be held at 10:30am for the Recitation of the Rosary and 11:00am, for the Mass of Christian Burial Friday, August 23, 2024, at St. John the Apostle church in Terrell, Texas with interment to follow at Oakland Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6-8pm, Thursday, August 22, at the Max Slayton Funeral Chapel.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakland Memorial Park

1000 W. Moore Avenue  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

## Recitation of Rosary

AUG **23**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John the Apostle Catholic Church  
702 N. Frances St.  
Terrell, TX 75160

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John the Apostle Catholic Church  
702 N. Frances St.  
Terrell, TX 75160



# Tribute Wall



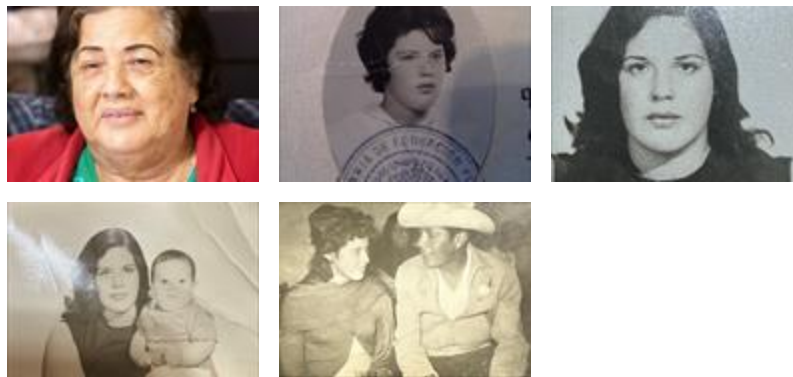
“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Maria Gonzalez*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - August 26, 2024 at 03:51 PM



“ *259 files added to the album Memories Album*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - August 26, 2024 at 03:54 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



August 22, 2024 at 12:55 PM

MC

“ *Martina Costilla purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**Martina Costilla** - August 22, 2024 at 11:10 AM

MC

“ *Martina Costilla planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Gonzalez.*

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**Martina Costilla** - August 22, 2024 at 11:10 AM

GG

“ *Gicela Gonzalez purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**Gicela Gonzalez** - August 21, 2024 at 01:47 PM

FG

“ *Felipe Gonzalez purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**Felipe Gonzalez** - August 21, 2024 at 12:32 PM

KS

“ Dear Gonzalez Family,  
We are so sorry to hear about Maria, your beautiful wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister & friend! She had the most beautiful smile & we are Thankful to have known her and call her our friend. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers!  
With Deepest Sympathy,  
Karo & Wilson Stewart



Karo Stewart - August 21, 2024 at 08:28 AM

FG

“ Familia Garcia purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Maria Gonzalez.



Familia Garcia - August 20, 2024 at 01:03 PM

FF

“ From all of us at FSG purchased the Treasured Lies Spray for the family of Maria Gonzalez.



From all of us at FSG - August 20, 2024 at 10:06 AM

FF

“ From all of us at FSG planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Gonzalez.

From all of us at FSG - August 20, 2024 at 10:06 AM

IF

“ *Irma Soto and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**Irma Soto and family** - August 19, 2024 at 10:33 PM

DR

“ *Donna & Ricoh purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**Donna & Ricoh** - August 19, 2024 at 03:49 PM

TF

“ *The Andrade Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**The Andrade Family** - August 19, 2024 at 02:34 PM

AH

“ *Alpha Harrison purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Maria Gonzalez.*



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**Alpha Harrison** - August 19, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Maria Gonzalez.* ”



August 19, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ *Lisa Garcia lit a candle in memory of Maria Gonzalez* ”



**Lisa Garcia** - August 19, 2024 at 12:24 PM



“ *Jose & Gabby Gonzalez and Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Maria Gonzalez.* ”



**Jose & Gabby Gonzalez and Family** - August 17, 2024 at 07:16 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Gonzalez.* ”



August 17, 2024 at 10:44 AM

GF

“ Glenn Mclemee and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Gonzalez.

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**Glenn Mclemee and family** - August 17, 2024 at 10:44 AM

JG

“ My heart breaks for all of you Felipe.  
Maria was such a bright light. Maria was always smiling and laughing. She was such a kind soul. Our families have experienced many great moments together. We will cherish those memories always. My family will be praying for all of you. We love you all very much.

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**Janie Garcia** - August 16, 2024 at 03:36 PM